



# PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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## BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

Trustee William Barnes called the March 10, 2015 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Plainfield Fire Protection District to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance at the District Headquarters located at 23748 W. 135<sup>th</sup> Street, Plainfield, IL in the Board of Trustees Meeting Room.

A roll call attendance was taken as follows: Trustee Reynolds – present; Trustee Barnes – present; Trustee Shreve – present; Trustee Lehmann – present. Trustee Bennett was absent.

**Open Forum** – Vicky Polito said thank you and congratulations on “Chat with the Chief’s”. She also said it was very good. She suggested all Chiefs sit at one long table when the meetings are at the Police Department. The April meeting will be at the Fire Administration Building.

**Correspondence** – Trustee Shreve read thank you notes from Retired Chief John Eichelberger for the gift certificate and plaque presented at his retirement; Oswego Fire Protection District for assistance at a motor vehicle accident and from the Historic Preservation Commission.

**A motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to approve the February 10, 2015 meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, all in favor.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve the February 19, 2015 workshop meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Shreve, all in favor.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to accept the February 2015 Treasurer’s report, seconded by Trustee Lehmann, all in favor.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to pay the bills in the usual manner, seconded by Trustee Lehmann, all in favor.**

**Old Business** – Chief Riddle stated old HQ downtown is being checked on a daily by the Battalion Chiefs to ensure everything is okay.

Chief Riddle reported the Strategic Plan has been updated with the suggested corrections from the February 19, 2015 Workshop. Board members should be receiving the updated copy in the near future. A Workshop should be scheduled to move ahead with the Strategic Plan.

Grants – The IPRF Grant funds have been received. We are waiting for the weather to break in order to install the warning lights at each station.

**New Business** – No operational issues to report.

There are no annexations.

There are no Board of Review Notices.

Chief Riddle stated changes have been made to the Policy Manual. He requested a Workshop with the Board to review the manual. The Strategic Plan and Policy Manual can be reviewed at the Workshop meeting.

Two bids have been received for the repair that needs to be done on the concrete patio downstairs. We are waiting on the third bid before making any decisions. Deputy Chief Stratton stated that a hinge cut pattern would be best to allow the concrete to move in cold and warm weather so the doors would not be obstructed by rising concrete.

Chief Riddle asked for the Board's permission to allow Senator Bertino-Tarrant to hold a Town Hall meeting at the Administrative building. The Board gave their permission.

**Chief's Report** – It was reported that income for billing services was \$110,156.75 from Andres Medical. Billing income from USA Fire Recovery was \$11,577.28. All other reports have been distributed for review.

**Committee Reports** – Administration – Trustee Barnes had no further report.

Vehicles – Trustee Reynolds reported we are still anticipating the second or third week in April to receive the new ambulance, Car 1 should be in next week and Mike Ludemann has two back-up cameras with different size screens. He will be asking the crews their opinion on the screen size.

Land & Building – Trustee Bennett was absent.

EMS – Trustee Lehmann had no further report.

Personnel – Trustee Shreve had no further report.

Fire Commission Report – Had no further report.

**Deputy Chief Stratton** – DC Stratton stated EVT Mike Ludemann did a great job on fixing the alternator on the tower ladder (1919) in such a timely manner. Mike went to Chicago for the part and fixed 1919 with only four hours of downtime. Lockport Fire covered our district during the down time.

All aspects of the training center have been approved. We should be receiving the drawings on Friday. After they are received we will meet with the Building Department to answer water usage concerns. Once the weather breaks, we will begin construction.

Chief Riddle reported final occupancy has been given at Station 2 for the Lieutenants quarters.

**A motion was made by Trustee Barnes to adjourn to closed session at 6:20 p.m. to discuss workman's compensation, personnel issues, collective bargaining, potential sale and/or purchase of real estate, pending litigation, seconded by Trustee Shreve, all in favor.**

The regular meeting reconvened at 6:30 p.m. by motion from closed session. Trustee Barnes stated that during closed session, discussion was held with regard to personnel issues.

There will be a Workshop meeting on Thursday, March 26, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

**There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 p.m., seconded by Trustee Lehmann, all in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Bennett, Trustee/Secretary  
Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant